Rock Island District has provided Support to the National Brownfields Revitalization Initiative Communities including:

Coralville, IA Planning Assistance to States

Waterloo, IA Planning Assistance to States, Proposed Brownfields Site Manager

Davenport, IA Partnering on Brownfields

Clinton, IA Planning Assistance to States

Des Moines, IA Planning Assistance to States

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Brownfields Program



"All of us have a responsibility to be the stewards of our land. When we use the land, we must do so wisely and responsibly, balancing the needs of the environment with the best interests of those who live and work on the land."

-President George W. Bush Comments from signing Brownfields Bill January 11, 2002

Brownfields

Brownfields are abandoned, idled or under-used industrial and commercial facilities where expansion or redevelopment is complicated by real or perceived environmental contamination.

The Corps is a team player in the sustainability and livability issues of brownfield sites. Multiple players through various levels of government, coupled with local initiatives, are coming together to address the needs of our urban communities. Communities will benefit from this partnership through a wide range of results both short and long term, as the Corps works together with all entities in a concerted manner. The momentum for a sustainable future is growing and the Corps is available to assist you in Brownfields or one of our core missions including: watershed planning, aquatic habitat restoration, flood and erosion protection. recreation or navigation. Planning Assisstance to States may be used to assist communities in their vision for a sustainable future.

Planning Assistance to States

Section 22

Water Resources Development Act of 1974

- Provides Corps expertise to help states, local governments and Indian tribes in comprehensive water and related land resources planning.
- 50% federal, 50% nonfederal.

This authority can be used for master planning and Phase I environmental assessments.

Additional Authorities

The following authorities may be used in conjuction with a Brownsfields program. However, it must be a water or related land resource issue.

Continuing Authority Projects

- · Projects can be accomplished quickly.
- Generally for smaller water resource type projects.

Each of the authorities may require studies, economic justification and environmental acceptability for a project to be constructed.

Section 14

Streambank and Shoreline Protection

- For public and non-profit facilities.
- 65% federal, 35% nonfederal

Section 205

Small Flood Control Projects

- For local flooding problems.
- 65% federal, 35% nonfederal.

Section 208

Clearing and Snagging of Waterways

- Clearing of snagging in conjunction with flood damage reduction.
- 65% federal, 35% nonfederal.

Flood Plain Management Services

Section 206

Flood Control Act of 1960

- Provides Corps expertise to help states with flood plain issues.
- 100% federal.

Ecosystem Restoration Projects

Section 204

Ecosystem Restoration in Connection with Dredging

- For using dredge material to produce high value environmental outputs.
- 75% federal, 25% nonfederal for costs over the base plan.

Section 206

Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration

- · For restoring degraded ecosystems.
- 65% federal, 35% nonfederal.

Section 1135

Project Modifications for Improvement of the Environment

- For modification of existing Corps protects to restore ecosystems.
- 75% federal, 25% nonfederal

Additional Authorized Projects

- The Corps of Engineers can address almost any water or related land resource problem with authorization from Congress.
- · Construction cost sharing
 - Flood Control 65% federal, 35% nonfederal.
 - Ecosystem restoration 65% federal, 35% nonfederal.
 - Commercial Navigation 20-80% federal.
 - Recreation 50% federal, 50% nonfederal.
- Requires study and project authorities and annual appropriations authorized by Congress.
- Sponsor assumes operations and maintenance after the project is constructed.